



VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS

March 18, 2016

The following summary contains various incidents of general interest as well as vehicular crashes handled by the Town of Vienna, Virginia Police Department from March 11, 2016 – March 17, 2016. Readers are reminded that an “arrest” is based upon probable cause and does not always mean that someone was physically taken into custody. Furthermore, it does not mean that an individual is automatically guilty of a crime. Judicial outcomes and post-arrest proceedings can be researched through the appropriate court’s website.

(VIENNA POLICE HIGHLIGHTS is not meant to be a listing of every incident or call handled by the Vienna Police, but merely a more substantive summary of several incidents, which may be of interest to the community. Some reports may be outside the date parameters due to extended investigations or other circumstances. Some cases are not included at all due to ongoing investigations. Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information at ruth.rohr@viennava.gov)

INCIDENTS

Vehicle Tampering 16-001945

100 Block Saint Andrews Drive, NE

Between March 6 at 8:00 a.m. and March 11 at 6:45 a.m.

A resident reported someone entered his unlocked vehicle, which was parked on the street, and took loose coins.

Grand Larceny 16-002060

100 Block Melody Lane, SE

Between March 7 at 12:00 p.m. and March 14 at 12:00 p.m.

A resident reported several items were stolen from his home.

Suspicious Event 16-2097

800 Block Follin Lane, SE

March 8 between 9:30 a.m. and 3:35 p.m.

Security Officers reported two suspicious men in the area taking photographs of a building. The report was made several days after the incident.

Arrest – Hit and Run 16-001857
Church Street at Mill Street, NE
March 8 4:19 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle reported he was northbound on Mill Street stopped at the stop sign for Church Street. As he proceeded into the intersection he was struck by another vehicle that was traveling westbound on Church Street and failed to obey the stop sign. The striking vehicle immediately left the area without checking on the other driver or providing his information. The driver of the first vehicle and witnesses to the accident provided officers with a description of the striking vehicle, a tag number and a description of the driver in the suspect vehicle.

After further investigation, MPO Vazquez arrested a 22 year old man from Woodbine Lane in Annandale, Virginia for Felony Hit and Run and Driving on a Suspended License. He was transported to the Fairfax County Adult Detention Center where he was held on a \$1500 bond.

Suspicious Event 16-001949
100 Block Melody Lane, SW
Between March 10 at 8:00 p.m. and March 11 at 10:00 a.m.

A resident advised that on the previous night she observed an unknown person inside her neighbor's vacant house. Officer Hylinski and MPO Nelson checked the property, finding some vandalism. However, they were unable to determine if the damage was recently made.

Domestic Dispute 16-001961
1000 Block Hillcrest Drive, SW
March 11 7:14 p.m.

A resident had an argument with his adult son. After officers spoke to both parties the son agreed to leave the house for the night to allow time for him and his dad to calm down.

Open Door 16-001988
600 Block Valley Drive, SE
March 12 12:29 p.m.

A resident reported an open garage door at her neighbor's house. It appeared that the neighbor may have forgotten to close the door when they left the home that morning. MPO Vazquez checked the residence and found all other doors to be secure and nothing appeared to be disturbed. MPO Vazquez was able to secure the garage door.

Weapons Violation 16-001996
300 Block Center Street, North
March 12 4:04 p.m.

Officer Hylinski responded to the report of a man shooting squirrels with a BB gun in his backyard. The officer located the man who admitted to shooting at the squirrels because they were causing damage to his house. Officer Hylinski explained the Town Code which prohibits discharging a BB gun in the Town. The man was unaware that he was breaking any law and agreed to comply with the Town ordinance.

Lost Property 16-002062**Tuesday Morning****136 Maple Avenue, West****March 12 7:00 p.m.**

A resident noticed her cell phone was missing when she returned home from shopping. She believes she may have lost it in the area of Tuesday Morning.

Arrest – Narcotic Violation 16-002005**100 Block Beulah Road, NE****March 12 10:05 p.m.**

MPO Shaw observed a vehicle traveling above the speed limit on Beulah Road and initiated a traffic stop. Upon his interaction with the driver he detected the odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. After further interaction he located a measurable amount of marijuana and paraphernalia.

The driver, an 18 year old woman from Red Rock Court in Vienna, was issued a summons for Speeding and for Possession of Marijuana. She was released after signing the summonses.

Found Property 16-002011**CVS****337 Maple Avenue, East****March 13 3:35 a.m.**

An employee reported finding US Currency that was left in the store. It is believed the money belongs to a citizen who had previously filed a lost property report with the store.

The currency is being held at the Vienna Police Station to be released to the owner.

Animal Case – Quarantine 16-002018**800 Block Ninovan Road, SE****March 12 4:00 p.m.**

Fairfax County Animal Control advised they had taken a report from an area hospital regarding a juvenile who had been bitten by her neighbor's cat. The child was being treated at the hospital for the injury that had occurred the previous day while the child was petting the cat.

MPO Vazquez responded to the area, but was told by a neighbor that the cat's owner is currently out of town. ACO Barker will follow up on this case to locate the animal and quarantine him.

Fraud 16-002031**200 Glyndon Street, NE****March 13 8:00 p.m.**

A resident reported working on her computer when a pop-up add came on the screen advising her of a virus on the computer and instructing her to call a telephone number. The resident called the number provided and allowed the person remote access to her computer.

The resident is concerned that this may have been a fraud and that her personal information may have been compromised.

Fraud 16-002124**200 Block Commons Drive, NW****Between March 14 at 8:00 a.m. and March 17 at 4:00 p.m.**

A resident reported being the victim of fraud when she was notified by mail that she had won in Publisher's Clearing House. The letter provided her with a telephone number to contact to collect her winnings. After calling the number she was instructed to send a large sum of money for insurance on her winnings.

This case is being investigated.

Found Property 16-002039**Vienna Police Station****215 Center Street, South****March 14 2:55 p.m.**

A citizen brought a found wallet into the Vienna Police Station.

The wallet will be held at the station until the owner can retrieve it.

Suspicious Event 16-02096**300 Block Tapawingo Road, SE****March 14 3:00 p.m.**

A resident reported a continuous dispute with a female neighbor. He advised that when visitors come to his home they legally park their vehicles on Tapawingo Road. The neighbor has become upset with the visitors, yelling at them, taking photographs of their vehicles and banging on the resident's door until the vehicles are moved.

Officers have previously explained to the neighbor that the visitors have a right to legally park on the public roadway, however the incidents have continued.

Found Property 16-002066**900 Block Meadow Lane, SW****March 15 2:00 p.m.**

A citizen turned in a wallet that had been found by workmen at a home that is under construction.

The owner was notified, and the wallet will be held at the Vienna Police Station until the owner can retrieve it.

Vandalism 16-002101**200 Block Church Street, NW****March 16 between 7:30 a.m. and 6:00 p.m.**

A citizen left her vehicle legally parked in a parking lot. When she returned to the vehicle she found someone had vandalized it.

Grand Larceny 16-002099

Westwood Country Club

800 Maple Avenue, East

March 16 between 12:00 p.m. and 4:30 p.m.

A citizen reported his watch and wallet were stolen from his vehicle while it was parked in the parking lot. The citizen believes he dropped his key fob in the parking lot, possibly allowing the unknown person access to his vehicle. His key fob is also missing.

Found Property 16-002098

100 Block Branch Road, SE

March 16 4:05 p.m.

A resident reported a found bicycle that had been left at the park on Branch Road.

The bicycle is being held at the Vienna Police Station.

Assault 16-002126

Cedar Lane School

101 Cedar Lane, SW

March 17 10:04 a.m.

A student reported being assaulted by another student.

Petitions for assault are pending in this case.

Animal Case 16-002132

1000 Block Country Club Drive, NE

March 17 10:38 p.m.

A resident located an injured dog in her yard. Ofc. Tremont transported the dog, a brown lab with no identification, to a local animal hospital for medical treatment. He then transported the dog to the Fairfax County Animal Shelter.

ACO Barker will follow up on this case.

CRASHES

115 Park Street, SE 16-001853

March 8 12:26 p.m.

The first vehicle was traveling northbound on Park Street, SE. The second vehicle, a Fed Ex delivery truck was on Park Street, backing up into a parking space to make a delivery.

While the delivery truck was backing up the driver of the first vehicle accelerated and struck the driver's side front tire of the truck. Damage was only caused to the first vehicle.

115 Park Street, SE 16-001854

March 8 12:50 p.m.

The driver of the first vehicle was exiting a driveway, near the scene of accident #16-1853, to turn left and go southbound on Park Street. The driver of the second vehicle was traveling northbound on Park Street.

The driver of the first vehicle advised her vision was obstructed by other vehicles when she pulled out in front of the second vehicle. The second vehicle struck the front passenger side of the first vehicle.

The driver of the first vehicle advised she was injured, but refused rescue. That driver was issued a summons for Failing to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Nutley Street at Marshall Road, SW 16-001954

March 11 2:25 p.m.

A vehicle was traveling northbound on Nutley Street through the intersection of Marshall Road. The driver noticed a manhole cover ajar in the middle of the intersection but could not stop in time to avoid striking it.

The vehicle was towed from the scene and the Town's Department of Public Works responded immediately to repair the manhole cover.

200 Block Maple Avenue, West 16-002017

March 13 1:46 p.m.

The first vehicle was stopped in traffic in the westbound lane of Maple Avenue. The driver of the second vehicle failed to stop in time and ran into the rear of the first vehicle.

410 Maple Avenue, West 16-002043

March 14 between 10:30 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

The owner of a legally parked vehicle returned to find it had been struck by an unknown vehicle.

100 Block Maple Avenue, West 16-002065

March 15 1:12 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling eastbound in adjacent lanes on Maple Avenue. The driver of the second vehicle attempted to change lanes and struck the first vehicle, causing minor damage to both vehicles.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

1000 Block Electric Avenue, SE 16-002084

March 16 9:22 a.m.

The first vehicle was a dump truck with a trailer attached traveling westbound on Electric Avenue. The driver of the dump truck slowed prior to crossing a speed bump. The second vehicle was traveling behind the dump truck. The driver of the second vehicle became distracted and did not notice the truck had slowed down and struck one of the trailer ramps.

The driver of the second vehicle was issued a summons for Failure to Pay Full Time and Attention.

Maple Avenue, East at Center Street, North 16-002094

March 16 1:05 p.m.

Two vehicles were stopped for a red traffic light in adjacent lanes on Maple Avenue at Center Street. The first vehicle was in the right lane, the second vehicle was in the left lane. As the light turned green, the driver of the first vehicle accelerated and struck the passenger side mirror of the second vehicle.

The driver of the first vehicle was issued a summons for No Operator's License.

100 Block Park Street, SE

March 16 2:04 p.m.

Two vehicles were traveling southbound in the 100 block of Park Street, SE. The driver of the first vehicle began to turn right into a parking lot and came to a complete stop halfway into the lot. The driver of the second vehicle attempted to pass the first vehicle on the left, but did not leave enough distance causing him to strike the first vehicle.

CASE UPDATES

None.

MEDIA RELEASES

None.

CITIZEN NOTES

TAX SEASON SCAM

Note to Citizens – *During this time of year, Tax Season, many residents report receiving calls from individuals claiming to be employees of the IRS. The callers claim the resident has either committed tax fraud or had improperly filed previous tax returns. The caller informs the resident to send a Western Union payment or purchase a prepaid debit card, for payment, or the resident will be arrested. This type of call is a scam. **Never send a payment unless you have verified the validity of the caller.***

Please Note: *Recently there have been reports of callers claiming to be relatives or representatives of a relative. The callers claim they have been arrested and in order to be released from jail the resident needs to wire a payment to an attorney or the jail. The payment is usually requested in the form of a prepaid debit card or through Western Union. This type of call is a scam. **Never send a payment unless you have verified the validity of the caller.***

Reminder: *Please remove all valuables from an unattended vehicle and most importantly, **lock the vehicle doors.***

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Citizens are reminded to PLEASE call and report suspicious activity. Even if you choose not to provide your name or other personal information, we still need your help as extra eyes and ears in the community.

See or Hear Something? Say Something!
We *WANT* to be Bothered! Call 9-1-1.

Please contact Ruth Rohr for further information on any of these cases at

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